

Step Back Into History

Aboard the Heber Creeper

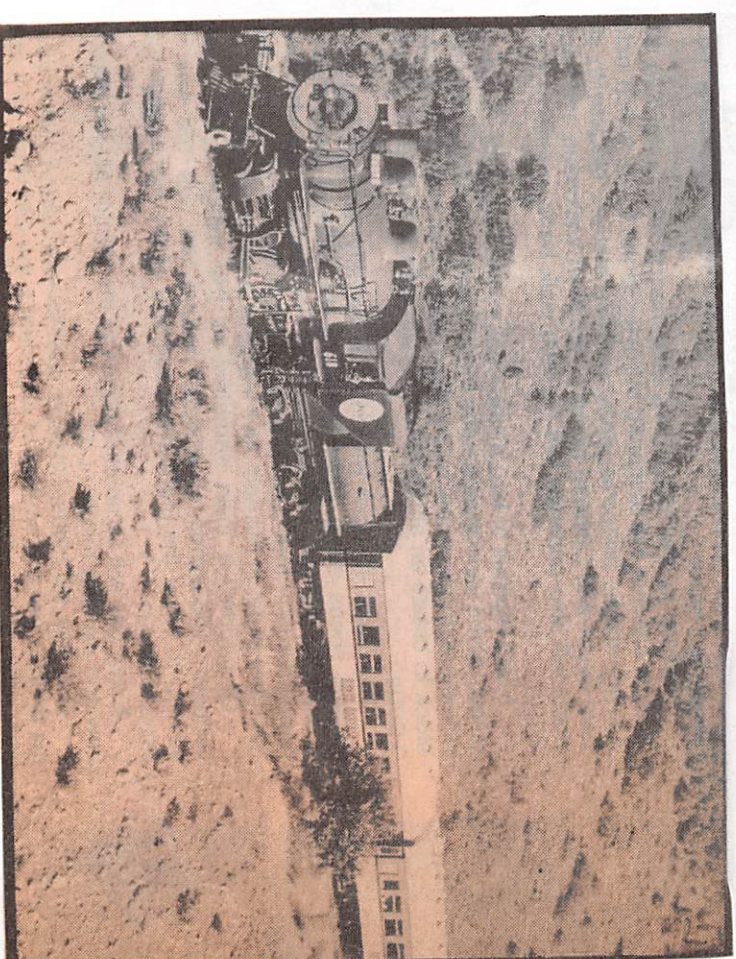
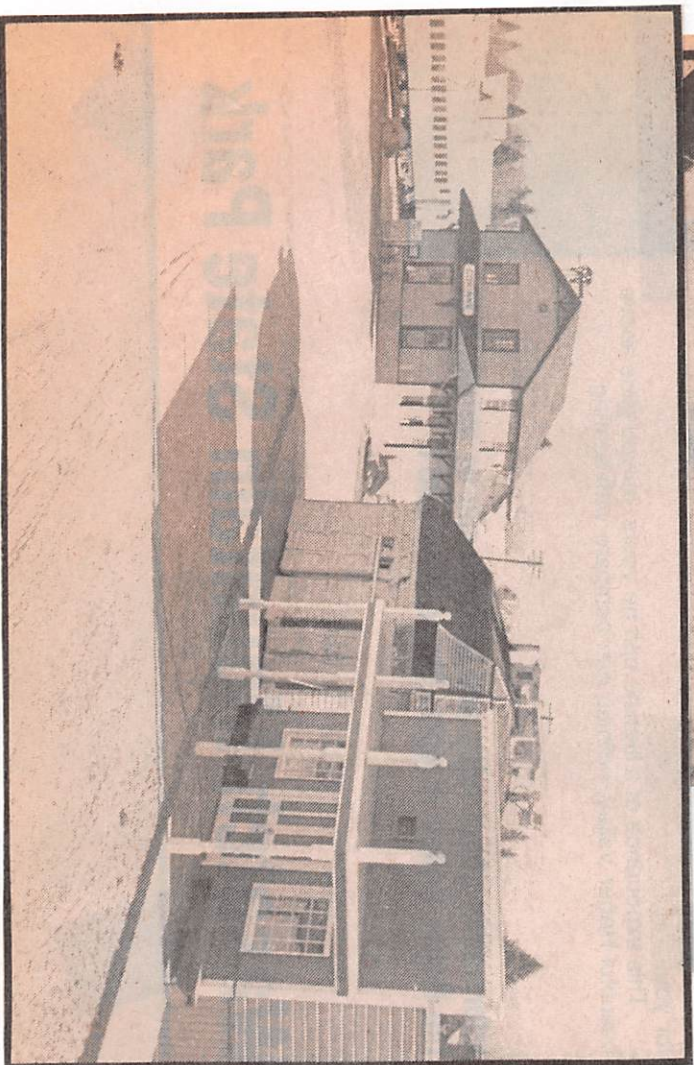
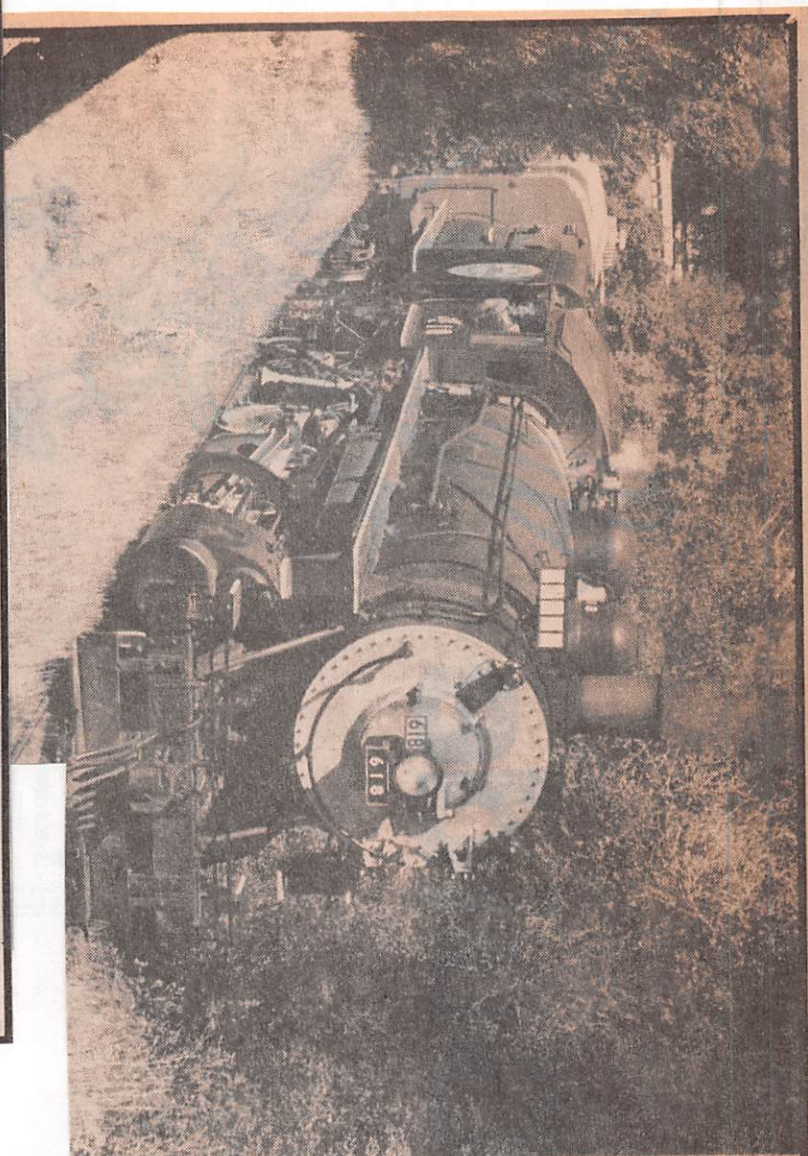
If you were to make a list of the most beautiful and scenic areas in the Western United States certainly the Heber Valley and Provo Canyon would be at the top of the list. Traversing this scenic area is the train route of the Heber Creeper.

Settled by Swiss and English Mormon Pioneers, the Heber Valley was settled over a century ago. The first rail line to the Heber Valley was started by Brigham Young's son, a director of the Utah Eastern Railway. In 1890, the railroad was taken over and completed by the Rio Grande Railroad Company to deliver produce, freight and passengers into the Heber Valley.

Legend has it that the train was so slow when making its journey up the narrow Provo Canyon, that passengers said it was just creeping...thus the name the Heber Creeper.

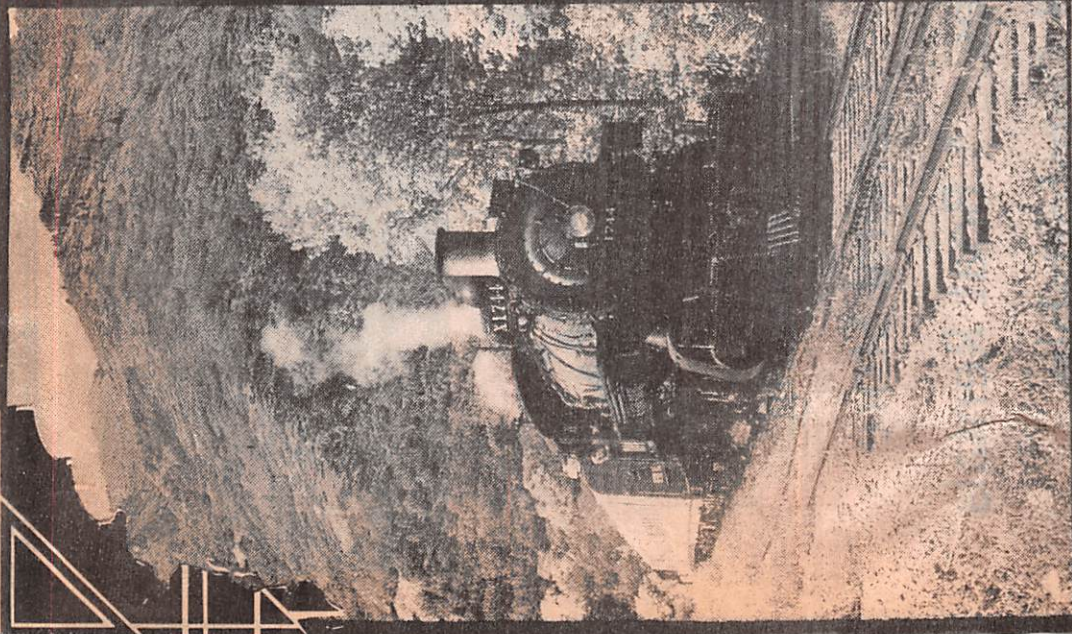
The train continued to run until improvements of highways and other transportation caused the eventual end of the Heber Creeper in 1968.

In the summer of 1971, local businessmen, ecologists and railroad enthusiasts resurrected the Creeper evolving into one of Utah's major attractions.

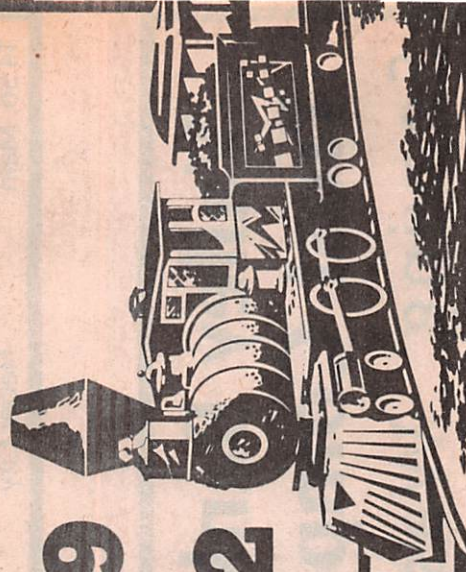


ALL ABOARD! RIDE THE HEBER CREEPER

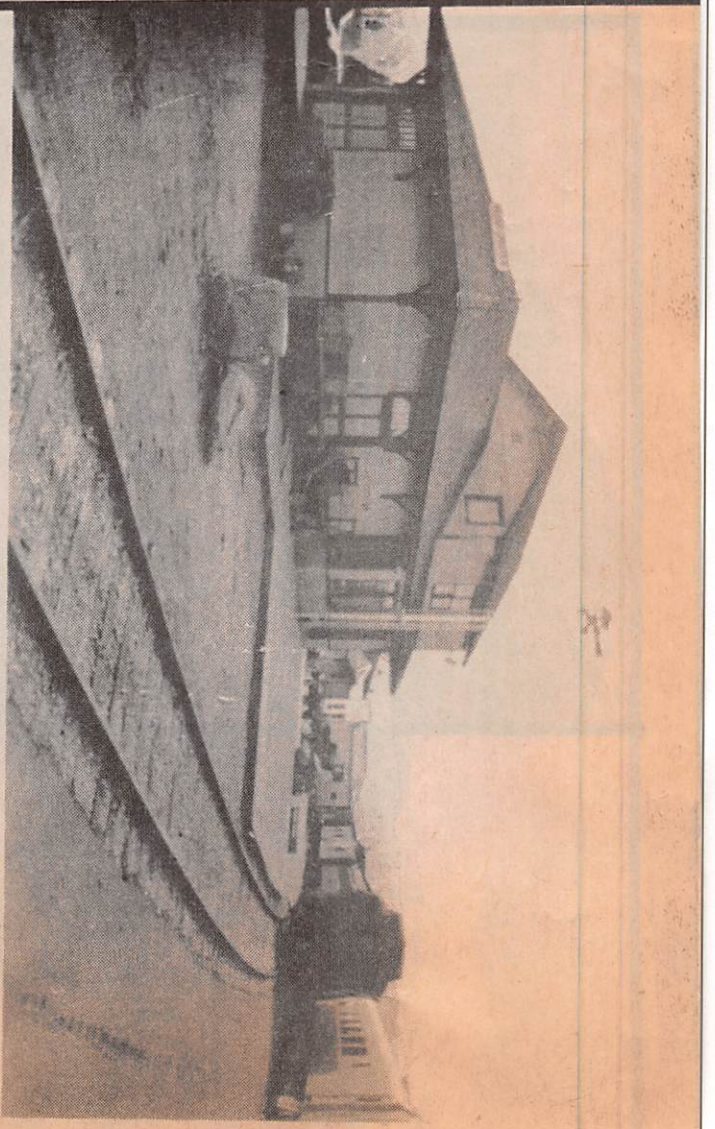
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IRON HORSE. RIDE THROUGH BEAUTIFUL
HEBER VALLEY, ALONG THE SHORES OF
DEER CREEK LAKE AND DEEP INTO
SPECTACULAR PROVO CANYON.



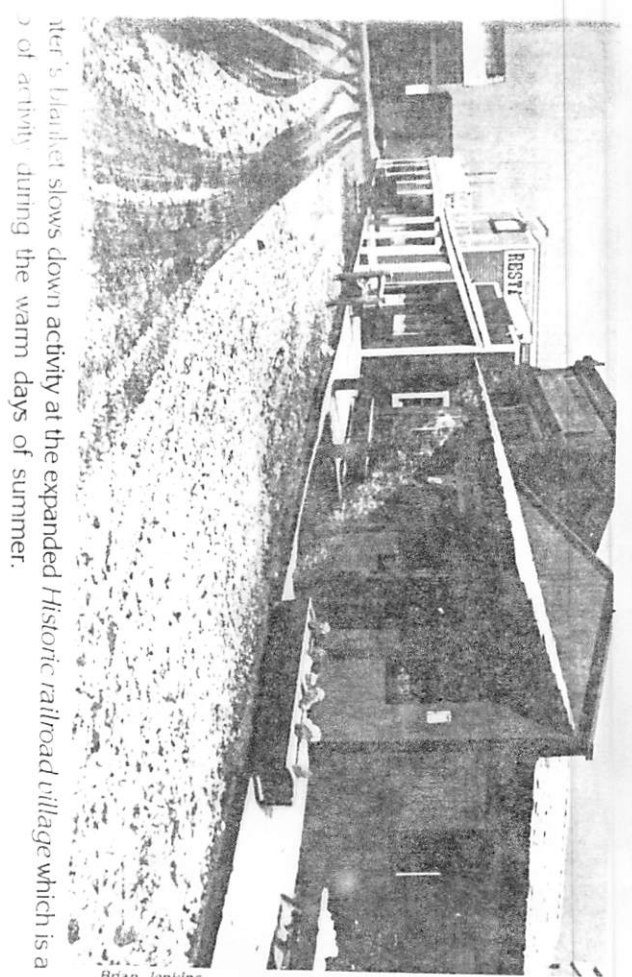
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